

# **VISITING ONTARIO?**

If you're planning to fish during a visit to Ontario, you should know about new fishing regulations that will affect all non-

resident anglers.

Ontario's marvelous fishing is something all anglers want to help preserve, for today and for the future. For this reason, Ontario has revised its non-resident angling licences and instituted special protection for two favorite trophy species—muskellunge and lake trout.

# LICENCES — YOUR CHOICE

Beginning January 1, 1984 visitors from the U.S. and other countries can take their pick from three types of licences:

• The Four-Day: This is our traditional short-term licence for anglers planning a long weekend or a few days in Ontario.

Cost: \$10 (up from \$8).

- The 21-Day Licence: A new licence aimed at anglers who visit Ontario for one fishing vacation of up to three weeks, which is 71 per cent of all non-resident anglers each year, (according to studies 81 per cent of non-residents staying at tourist accommodations visit only once annually and stay for three weeks or less). Cost: \$20 (\$5 more than the old seasonal licence).
- The Seasonal Licence: A licence for non-residents who want to return to fish throughout the season, or for those who plan several Ontario fishing trips at different times of the year. Cost: \$30 (up from \$15).

# **CANADIAN RESIDENTS**

A seasonal licence for Canadians who are not residents of Ontario is \$6.25 (up from \$6).

# TAGS FOR MUSKELLUNGE AND LAKE TROUT

If you are among the enthusiastic anglers who visit Ontario with hopes of

hooking a muskellunge or lake trout, you'll need a special tag. Muskie and lake trout are fierce fighters so they're popular game fish. These qualities create increased fishing pressure so we're taking precautions to offer them special protection. Ministry surveys in some areas prove that these species need protection.

That's why Ontario is instituting "species specific tags", something that is already common in many states. All non-residents of Ontario—from other provinces, the U.S. or other countries—need \$5 tags to fish for either muskellunge or lake trout, beginning January 1, 1984. These tags, valid for one year, can be applied to any non-resident and Canadian resident angling licences held during the season.

# LICENCES AND TAGS — HOW TO GET THEM

All licences and tags will be available through the Ministry of Natural Resources' provincewide system of 3,500 licence issuers. Licences and other certification will also be available through the mail.

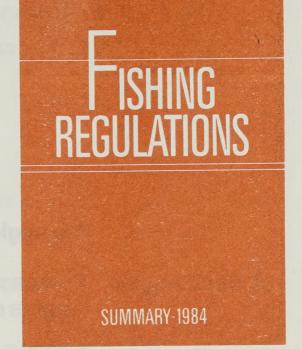
# **RESOURCE PROTECTION**

Ontario offers unique and plentiful sports fishing, from walleye fishing in Lake Erie to brook trout fishing in the Hudson Bay lowlands, with at least 250,000 lakes and a multitude of rivers in between.

The price revisions for non-resident angling licences are designed to keep pace with inflation (there have been no revisions since 1980!) and are in line with non-resident licence fees charged by other jurisdictions.

New and improved hatcheries, aggressive fish management programs, community involvement projects, increased stocking...they're vital, and expensive. But we have to do more to continue to protect this valuable resource.

LET'S ENJOY OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.
FOREVER.



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# The Angler's Code

# A Good Angler

- respects private property and the rights of others
- knows and obeys the fishing regulations
- does not damage fish habitat
- puts safety first in the use of his equipment and the enjoyment of the sport
- takes pride in his skill
- helps others to understand the recreation of fishing
- leaves the environment as clean as he found it; he does not litter

A Good Angler has respect for his quarry, before and after catching it, and knows there is much more to fishing than taking his limit.

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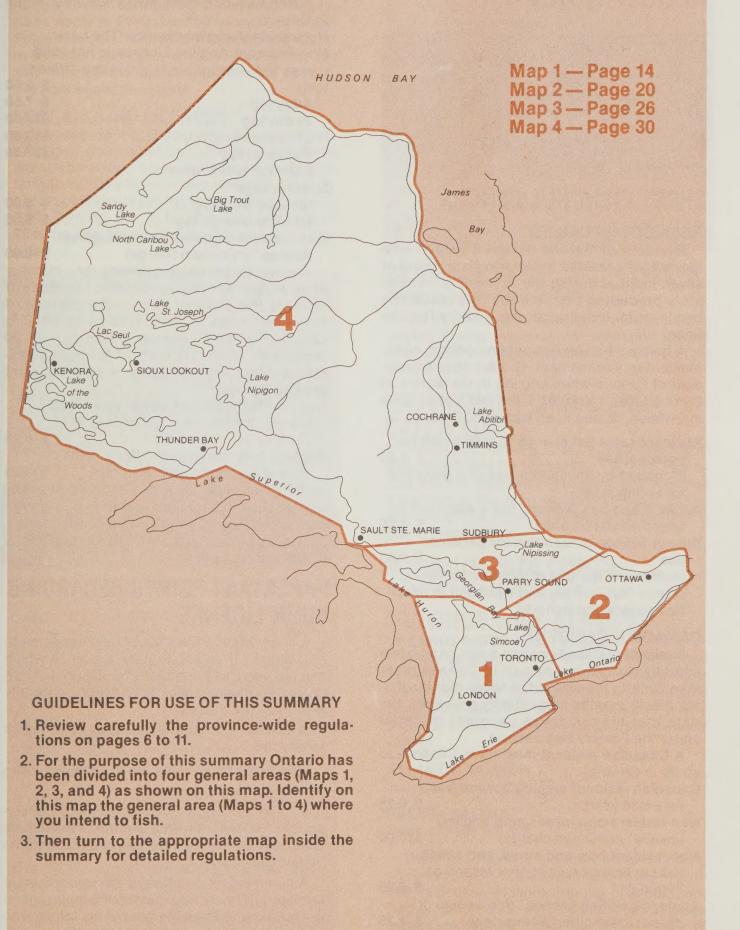
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# NOTE

This summary is prepared for convenience only, and is not a complete résumé of the various regulations relating to fisheries. A complete consolidation of the regulations is available from the Ministry of Natural Resources, Queen's Park, Toronto, or from District Offices. For more detailed information, reference should be made to The Game and Fish Act, Fisheries Act and The Ontario Fishery Regulations.

# MASTER MAP OF GENERAL FISHING AREAS



# PROVINCE WIDE REGULATIONS

**FISHERIES ACT** 

The Fisheries Act of Canada (Section 31 and parts of 33) is designed to protect what the Act describes as "fish habitats" which are defined as "spawning grounds and nursery, rearing, food supply and migration areas on which fish depend, directly or indirectly, in order to carry out their life process."

# SPORT FISHING LICENCES

**RESIDENT (of Ontario)** 

Resident of Ontario means a person who has actually resided in Ontario for a period of seven months during the 12 months immediately preceding the time that his residence becomes material under the Fishery Regulations

A holder of a Quebec angling permit, either resident or non-resident, is deemed to be resident of Ontario when angling in the waters of Clarice Lake, Labyrinth Lake and Raven Lake in Division 19, and in all waters of Division 12.

Resident seine-net licence to take smelt for
personal use
(Required by anyone for use of a seine-net
for taking smelt)

Angler's bait-fish licence\* (for a seine-net in specified waters only).....\$ 1.25

## **CANADIAN RESIDENT**

Resident of Canada means a person who has actually resided in any part of Canada other than Ontario for a period of seven months during the 12 months immediately preceding the time that his residence becomes material under the Fishery Regulations.

A Canadian resident must have a licence to angle in Ontario.

angle in Ontario.
Canadian resident angling licence (valid
for entire year)
Non-resident organized camp angling
licence* (minimum charge) \$10.00
Non-resident bow and arrow, and smelt
fishing licence (see "Other Means of
Fishing")
Angler's bait-fish licence* (for a seine or
dip-net in specified waters only) \$ 1.25

# NON-RESIDENT

Non-Resident means a person who is not a resident of Ontario or a resident of Canada.

A **Non-Resident** must have a licence to angle in Ontario.

Non-resident angling licence (The basic

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Non-Resident Angling Licence is not valid									
unless the appropriate tag(s) is/are affixed									
to it)	)								
4 day tag \$ 7.50	)								
21 day tag \$17.50	)								
21 day renewal tag \$10.00	)								
S'easonal tag	)								
(valid for entire season)									

# Species tags

(a) Lake Trout tag								\$ 5.00
(b) Muskellunge tag				۰				\$ 5.00

# Non-resident organized camp angling licence\* (minimum charge) . . . . . . \$10.00

A non-resident angling licence for a member of an organized camp is available to groups of at least five boys or girls under the age of seventeen when accompanied by an adult in charge. The fee for the camp licence is \$2.00 per person. Adults are required to have a Canadian resident angling licence or a non-resident angling licence.

Angler's balt-fish licence\* (for a seine or dip-net in specified waters only) .... \$ 1.25

Angling licences may be obtained at many tourist outfitters' camps and lodges, summer camps and hotels, and sporting goods dealers, as well as at any District Office of the Ministry of Natural Resources.

# IMPORTANT POINTS REGARDING YOUR LICENCE

It is an offence if an issuer fails to complete a licence or if an angler uses a licence which has not been fully completed at the time of purchase, so please check your licence carefully when you purchase it.

A licence is not transferable, so don't lend it to anyone.

An angler must have his licence with him when fishing.

If a Conservation Officer or Deputy Conservation Officer enpowered to enforce the fishery laws asks to see your licence, you are required by law to show it to him.

A non-resident or a Canadian resident under the age of 17 may angle without a licence if he is accompanied by a member of his family who has a licence, but any fish that he catches will legally be part of the catch limit of the person who owns the licence.

# **NATIONAL PARKS**

In the National Parks federal regulations govern the fishing in the inland waters only of the park. The National Parks Fishing Regulations apply in Pukaskwa National Park, Point Pelee National Park and on Beausoleil Island in Georgian Bay Islands National Park. For further information on the federal parks consult the park superintendents.

# **LOST ANGLING LICENCES**

Non-residents whose licences were lost, stolen or destroyed can obtain a duplicate licence by writing for an Application for Search form to Wildlife Surveys and Records, Ministry of Natural Resources, Whitney Block, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ont. M7A 1W3. There is a fee of \$5.00 for this service if proof of purchase is provided.

# ENFORCEMENT OF FISHERY LAWS

# POWERS OF THE CONSERVATION OFFICER

Enforcement of the fishery laws is primarily the responsibility of Ontario's Conservation Officers who are assisted by Deputy Conservation Officers, Fishery Officers and Fishery Guardians.

These Officers have certain powers to effectively enforce the appropriate fishery legislation.

The Game and Fish Act permits Conservation Officers and Deputy Conservation Officers with reasonable and probable grounds, and without warrant to:

- 1. (a) Stop, enter and search any aircraft, vehicle and vessel.
  - (b) Enter and search any fishing, hunting, mining, lumber or construction camp, and
  - (c) Open and inspect any trunk, box, bag, parcel or receptacle if he believes fish are possessed in contravention of the Act.
- 2. Arrest, any person found committing a contravention of the Act.
- 3. Stop a vehicle or vessel to:
  - (a) determine if the occupants have been fishing or
  - (b) obtain information as to the number and species of fish taken
- 4. Seize fish and other items used in contravention of the Act.

# THE FEDERAL FISHERIES ACT PERMITS A FISHERY OFFICER TO:

Search without warrant any building, vehicle, vessel or place other than a permanent dwelling house if he has reasonable and probable grounds to believe fish have been taken in contravention of the Act.

- 2. Arrest without warrant any person he believes, on reasonable and probable grounds, has committed an offence against this Act
- 3. Enter upon and pass through or over any private property in the discharge of his duties.
- 4. Seize any fishing vessel, fishing gear, vehicle etc., which he believes on reasonable grounds to have been used in connection with the commission of an offence against this Act.

# (Note: All Conservation Officers are also Fishery Officers)

If you have any questions about the fishery laws and regulations, do not hesitate to contact the nearest Conservation Officer or Natural Resources District Office.

# PROVINCE WIDE CATCH LIMITS

Refer to Maps for each area.

No licensee while angling in Canadian— United States International boundary waters shall have in his possession more than one limit of fish.

# PROVINCIAL FISHING AREA CATCH LIMITS

Provincial Fishing Areas are stocked with fish for angling by the public. The Province of Ontario has seven of these areas and they are identified in the map sections of this Fishing Summary. The Province Wide Catch Limits apply to these areas.

# MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS

Refer to maps for each area.

# **PROVINCE WIDE SEASONS**

## **OPENING DATES FOR FISHING**

Many opening dates have been established in the Regulations as the first, second, third or last Saturday of the month in question. This provides a Saturday opening date that is predictable years in advance. (See Open Season Guide).

# ATLANTIC SALMON

January 1 to October 10

## **PACIFIC SALMON**

Open season all year.

There is no closed season on the following species: perch, bullhead, chub, catfish, sunfish, rock bass, bluegill, crappie, ling, carp, eel, sucker, smelt and white bass except in those waters mentioned in Schedule VI—Part 1 of the Ontario Fishery Regulations where no winter fishing is permitted.

# **POSSESSION LIMITS**

POSSESSION LIMIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE DAY'S LEGAL LIMIT. Fish are considered to be in the possession of an angler whether they are on hand, in cold storage, in transit, or elsewhere.

# OTHER MEANS OF FISHING OPEN TO RESIDENTS OF ONTARIO\*

(1) In the Counties of Elgin, Essex, Kent, Lambton, Middlesex, Regional Municipality of Niagara, and the former township of South Walsingham south of the third concession, City of Nanticoke, towns of Haldimand and Dunnville, all in the Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk.

coarse fish and pike	March and April	spear or dip-net
coarse fish	March and April	bow and arrow
carp	May 1 to June 15	bow and arrow

(2) Any part of Ontario, except Divisions 6 and 13 in this summary, that part of the Rideau River between Hog's Back Dam and the Ottawa River, and the Thames, Sydenham and Ausable Rivers.

coarse fish March, April and May dip-net

(3) In parts of Ontario other than (1) above, and excepting the Counties of Bruce, Dufferin, Huron, Grey and Simcoe; Divisions 6 and 13; the Township of Morrison in the District Municipality of Muskoka; the Regional Municipalities of Durham and York; and the Rideau River between Hog's Back Dam and the Ottawa River.

coarse fish April and May spear

(4) Any part of Ontario except Algonquin Park; Peterborough and Victoria Counties; the parts of Northumberland County and the Regional Municipality of Durham lying north of Lake Ontario (excluding Lake Simcoe and its tributaries); the Trent River; Dalrymple (Mud) Lake in Simcoe County; and the Rideau River between Hog's Back Dam and the Ottawa River.

smelt March, April and May dip-net or (day or night) dip-net or seine\*\*

(5) The St. Lawrence River including Lake St. Lawrence and Lake St. Francis; Lake Ontario east of 78° including the Bay of Quinte and the North Channel; and the Ottawa River downstream from the Chaudière Bridge.

carp and suckers May, June and July **bow and arrow** 

(6) The waters of Division 19.

suckers April and May bow and arrow

(7) Gore Bay, Walkhouse Bay, Strawberry Channel, some unnamed bays and parts of the North Channel (for detailed descriptions of areas consult district office at Espanola (705) 869-1330).

coarse fish	May 1 to June 15 (daylight hours)	bow and arrow
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(8) The counties of Brant, Halton, Huron, Oxford, Perth, Waterloo and Wellington and the Regional Municipalities of Hamilton-Wentworth and Niagara and Orr Lake in the county of Simcoe.

carp	May 1 to June 15	bow and arrow
coarse fish	March and April	bow and arrow

#### Notes:

All fishing by means other than angling must be carried out between **sunrise** and **sunset** except for the taking of smelt, bait-fish, herring and whitefish.

The use of a **dip-net** or **spear** to take coarse fish, smelt and pike is prohibited in the Thames, Ausable and Sydenham Rivers at any time.

A dip-net used as described below shall not exceed 183 cm by 183 cm if angular, or 183 cm in diameter if circular. (The use of a larger dip-net is restricted to the holder of a commercial dip-net licence.)

- \*A non-resident or a resident of Canada may obtain a licence to take fish by means other than angling which permits: (i) the taking of smelt day or night during the months of March, April and May by means of a dip-net or seine in the same waters in which smelt may be dip-netted by a resident (see (4) above); (ii) the use of a bow and arrow to take coarse fish during the same periods and in the same waters in which coarse fish may be taken with a bow and arrow by a resident (see (5) and (6) above). The licence fee is \$6.25.
- \* \* A resident must have a resident smelt licence if he wishes to use a **seine** for the taking of smelt. The licence fee is \$1.25.

# GENERAL RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS

# FISH SANCTUARY FISHING PROHIBITED

Angling, or taking fish by any other means is not permitted in any fish sanctuary.

# **DEFINITION OF ANGLING**

Angling means taking or attempting to take fish by means of a hook and line, and includes casting and trolling, provided the person is tending the line.

# FISH TO BE TAKEN ONLY BY ANGLING

Smallmouth and largemouth bass, muskellunge, brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout and Atlantic salmon may not be taken by any other means except angling.

# **HOW MANY FISHING LINES ARE ALLOWED?**

One line only is permitted, unless you are angling through the ice. (See WINTER FISHING, following.)

# **NUMBER OF HOOKS ALLOWED**

A fishing line or lure must not have more than four hooks, except where an artificial lure is used, three hooks in a gang are deemed to be one hook.

# RESTRICTION FOR UNBAITED HOOKS

Unbaited hooks must not be used to take fish, except in the case of artificial lures used for casting or trolling. (See SNAGGING FISH IS ILLEGAL.)

# DISTANCE RESTRICTION FROM NETS, CANALS, ETC.

It is not permissible to angle within twenty-five metres of a pound net or within twenty-five metres downstream from the lower entrance to any fishway, canal, obstacle or leap.

#### SNAGGING FISH IS ILLEGAL

IT IS ILLEGAL TO CATCH A FISH WITH A SNARE OR BY SNAGGING. THE ONTARIO FISHERY REGULATIONS PROHIBIT FISHING FOR, CATCHING OR KILLING A FISH BY IMPALING IT ON A HOOK THROUGH SOME PART OF THE BODY INSTEAD OF BY THE MOUTH AS IN ANGLING. SNAGGED FISH MUST BE RELEASED. (Refer to instructions, HOW TO RELEASE FISH, on page 11.)

## SPEARING FISH IS ILLEGAL

The use of a spear gun for the taking of fish is prohibited. No person shall have a spear in his possession on or within thirty metres of the edge of any river, lake or stream, except as out-

lined in the table, OTHER MEANS OF FISHING OPEN TO RESIDENTS OF ONTARIO.

# RESTRICTIONS ON GAFFS, SNAGGERS AND SNARES

A gaff may be used to land fish which have been taken by angling, but it is an offence to fish with or be in possession of a spring gaff, a baited or unbaited snagger, or a snare capable of taking fish on or within thirty metres of any waters.

# ARTIFICIAL LIGHTS NOT ALLOWED

Artificial lights must not be used for taking fish.

# DYNAMITE AND OTHER EXPLOSIVES NOT ALLOWED

Dynamite or other explosive material must not be used for taking or destroying fish.

# SPOILING OF FISH

Any fish which is suitable for food must not be destroyed or permitted to spoil.

# FISH CAUGHT CONTRARY TO THE REGULATIONS

Every person who catches any fish, the catching, taking, or retaining of which is contrary to the Ontario Fishery Regulations, shall immediately return such fish to the water from which it was taken. (Refer to instructions, HOW TO RELEASE FISH, on page 11.)

## WINTER FISHING

The usual regulations that pertain to angling apply when fishing through ice. In addition when angling through ice no person shall,

- (a) angle with more than two lines except in division 29 where one line only is permitted, and in Labyrinth Lake where five (5) lines are permitted.
- (b) be more than 60 metres removed from any line with which he is angling;
- (c) maintain other than a clear and unobstructed view of any line with which he is angling. A fisherman may use a tip-up for ice fishing provided he remains in attendance on it.

# **Fishing Hut Removal Dates**

All fish huts used on Lake Temagami, Lake Manitou and Lake Timiskaming and waters south of and including the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing must be removed before March 31.

All fishing huts used on waters listed below must be removed by March 15:

- 1) all waters in Divisions 8, 10, and 11;
- 2) the waters of Colpoys Bay, Owen Sound Bay, Lake Scugog, and Lake Simcoe;
- the waters in the Counties of Prescott and Russell, Leeds and Grenville, Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, and the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton;

4) and the waters in Sydney, Thurlow, Tyendinaga, Rawdon, Huntingdon, Hungerford, Marmora, Madoc, Elzevir, Lake Tudor, Grimsthorpe, Fredericksburg, Aldophustown, Richmond, Camden, Ernestown, Sheffield, Abinger, Percy, Cramahe, Murray, Seymour, Brighton, Lavant, Darling, Pakenham, Hinchinbrooke, Bedford, Portland, Loughborough, Storrington, Kingston, Pittsburgh, townships and the area south of Hwy. 7 in Kaladar, Kinnebec, Olden and Oso townships.

**Registration of Fishing Huts** 

All fishing huts on the following waters must be registered with the local district office:

1) the waters in Divisions 7 and 8.

- 2) the following lakes: Couchiching, Simcoe, Puslinch, Nipissing, Temagami, Scugog, Timiskaming, Manitou, Muskoka, Joseph, Rosseau, Doré Golden, Muskrat, Round and Clear.
- 3) the Trent River south of Lock Number 9.
- 4) the waters of Owen Sound, Grey County and Colpoys Bay; Bruce and Grey Counties. Please contact the local district office for further information on these and other lakes.

## **BAIT-FISH**

No live bait-fish may be brought into Ontario. Bait-fish means the mudminnow family; the sucker family; the stickleback family; the genus Leucichthys of the whitefish family; the darter sub-family; the trout-perch; the sculpin and any member of the minnow family **except** carp and gold-fish.

Lamprey of any species and at any stage of development must not be used for bait.

Regulations for Catching Bait-fish

An angler may take bait-fish for personal use by means of a dipnet which is not more than 92 cm square or 92 cm in diameter, or with a bait-fish trap which is not greater than 51 cm in length or 31 cm in diameter, but he must not have more than fifty bait-fish in his possession at one time during the period April 1 to October 14 or more than an aggregate weight of 18 kilograms of bait-fish during the period from October 15 to March 31.

No person shall set a trap for bait-fish that is not legibly marked with the name of the owner.

# Regulations for Use and Release of Bait-fish

Live bait-fish must not be released into waters other than those from which they were originally taken.

In certain lakes the use of live bait-fish is prohibited (See Schedule XIV of the Ontario Fishery Regulations.)

Bait-fish may not be sold except under the authority of a bait-fish dealer's licence.

# TRANSPORT AND EXPORT OF FISH

A NON-RESIDENT (ALIEN) AND A NON-RESIDENT (CANADIAN) MAY, ON LEAVING ONTARIO, TAKE OR EXPORT HIS LAWFUL CATCH OF ONE DAY'S LIMIT.

NO HOLDER OF A NON-RESIDENT ANGLING LICENCE SHALL EXPORT OR TAKE OR ATTEMPT TO TAKE FROM ONTARIO ANY FISH TAKEN UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THAT LICENCE THAT ARE SO SKINNED, CUT OR PACKED THAT

- (A) THE SPECIES OF ANY SUCH FISH CANNOT BE READILY IDENTIFIED;
- (B) THE NUMBER OF SUCH FISH CANNOT BE READILY IDENTIFIED;
  OR
- (C) THE LENGTH OF SUCH FISH CANNOT BE READILY DETERMINED WHEN MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS ARE APPLICABLE.

THE ABOVE REGULATIONS ALSO APPLY TO ONTARIO RESIDENTS AS WELL AS NON-RESIDENTS TRANSPORTING FISH WITHIN ONTARIO.

# It is suggested that:

The entire skin be left on all fish or fillets being transported.

If freezing your catch, wrap and freeze each fish separately so they may be readily counted.

If packing the fish in one bag or box arrange

them so that they may be readily counted.

# IMPORT AND TRANSFER OF LIVE FISH OR SPAWN

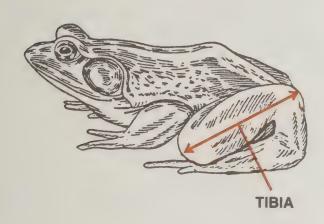
No live fish or spawn may be brought into Ontario, or transferred from one body of water to another, without the consent of the Minister of Natural Resources.

## **FIREARMS**

Throughout the year in Ontario from the southerly borders of the Districts of Muskoka and Nipissing northward, the possession of firearms is sufficient evidence of hunting. Do not take firearms on fishing, hunting or camping trips unless you have a hunting licence. No hunting licences are valid during July and August in the above areas.

# **BULLFROGS**

Bullfrogs may be taken from July 21 to October 15. The licence to take bullfrogs for personal use is free, and possession limit for such a licence is ten (10). The fee for a licence to take bullfrogs for sale or barter is \$25.00. The holder of this licence must submit an annual return form by registered mail, within 30 days of the closing of the bullfrog season, addressed to the District Manager in that District in which the licence was issued. No licensee in the County of Lanark or the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton may take or possess any bullfrog with a tibia of less than five (5) centimeters in length. For more information please contact your Local District Office.



# **ACCESS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY**

A fishing licence does not give any angler the right to trespass on private property without the owner's permission.

# **River Access**

Many of the smaller trout streams in Ontario are located on private land and the various owners of the properties have paid taxes on the bottom of the stream and the banks for many years.

When such is the case, the property owner can prohibit trespass on the banks and stream bed, but he does not own the water or the fish.

On larger streams, patented lots may extend to the centre line of the stream or to the high water mark on the bank. A search of the original deed in the Registrar's Office would be the only way to determine the extent of private ownership.

Navigable streams are generally quite obvious as the public has been using them for many years. When a dispute arises, it can only be legally settled by the Courts of Ontario.

# **Indian Reserves**

Fishing is allowed on Indian Reserves only with the permission of the Band Council. This restriction also applies to non-Indians living on reserves.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU CATCH A TAGGED FISH

Tagging projects are occurring in different parts of the province and involve the placing of a metal jaw tag, orange dart tag and/or a yellow dorsal tag on the mouth and body of the fish from a particular species, so that data on its migration, population status and spawning habits may be obtained. In many parts of Ontario, anglers are apt to catch fish tagged by Ministry personnel. You are therefore urged to forward fish tags to the nearest District Office of the Ministry Of Natural Resources (see back of Summary) along with the following information: your name and address, the species of fish, its length and weight, where caught and date, whether the fish had more than one tag. Any person reporting on tagged fish should enclose a sample of six to eight scales. The success of the project depends on your participation.

# **HOW TO RELEASE FISH**

Here are a few simple rules for anglers who wish to release fish so they can be caught again.

- (1) Time is essential. Quickly play and release fish. A fish played for too long will be too exhausted to recover.
- (2) Keep the fish in the water as much as possible. Out of water it will suffocate. Don't allow it to flop on the beach or on rocks. Just a few inches of water under a thrashing fish acts as a protective cushion.
- (3) Gentle handling is essential. Don't put your fingers in the gills. Do not squeeze small fish; lift them by the lower lip. A net is helpful but keep it in the water.
- (4) Remove hooks quickly with longnosed pliers. If deeply hooked, cut the line and leave the hook in. Do not tear out hooks; they will not harm the fish.
- (5) To revive an unconscious fish hold it upright in the water heading upstream. Apply artificial respiration by moving fish forward and backward so that water runs through the gills. This may take a few minutes. When it begins to struggle release it.

# OTHER COMMON NAMES OF ONTARIO FISH

Brook Trout . . . . . Speckled Trout

Rainbow Trout ... Steelhead or Kamloops

Trout

Atlantic Salmon . . Ouananiche

Pike . . . . . Great Northern Pike,

Grass Pike or Jackfish

Yellow Pickerel . . . Walleye, Doré or Pikeperch

Lake Trout . . . . . . Grey Trout, Salmon Trout,

and including the hybrid lake trout and brook trout.

Splake

Pacific Salmon . . . Coho, Chinook, Kokanee,

Pink

Muskellunge . . . . Maskinonge and any

hybrid between Northern

Pike and Muskellunge.

# **CONTAMINANTS IN FISH**

Fish have an unexpected value as barometers of the quality of the human environment. They are ideal indicators of water quality.

High levels of a contaminant in fish flesh indicate that the substance is present in water and thus a potential threat to humans even though the concentration in water might be far too small to measure.

Since the late 1960s, the Ontario Government has been testing fish from lakes and rivers throughout the province. The results of this testing program, in the form of fish consumption advice, are available to the public free of charge in the bilingual book "Guide to eating Ontario Sport Fish." The book is published in two volumes: one for Northern Ontario (Lake Huron-Lake Superior) and the other for Southern Ontario (Great Lakes).

A total of nearly 1200 water bodies have been tested for contaminants such as mercury, PCB, DDT, mirex and the dioxin-2,3,7,8-TCDD. Species and size-specific guidelines are presented for each location tested. The books also contain a brief explanation of the various contaminants and aids to identifying common fish species. Copies of the books are available at offices of the Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of the Environment and the Ministry of Northern Affairs.

Detailed information on the fish contaminant testing program is available from:

Hazardous Contaminants Unit Water Resources Branch Ontario Ministry of the Environment 135 St. Clair Ave. West Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5 Telephone (416) 965-6954

## **EXTENSIVE FISH KILLS**

# Please help us by reporting them immediately

Extensive fish die-offs can result from a variety of causes — either natural or manmade. Although most reported fish kills occur during the summer months, winter fish kills are not uncommon.

Natural fish die-offs can be attributed to fluctuations in water quality caused by phenomena such as extreme temperature changes, oxygen depletion resulting from biological decomposition, algal toxins, high water turbidity and gas supersaturation. Fish mortality may also be caused by bacterial, viral and parasitic epidemics or may be related to spawning.

Human-related fish kills are generally attributable to the release of heated effluents or toxic chemicals from industrial, agricultural, municipal, or other sources. Additionally, the use of pesticides in agriculture and aquatic weed control has caused some extensive mortalities. Fish kills may also result from the manipulation of water levels or flow.

Fish kill investigations are conducted by regional or district personnel of the Ministry of the Environment or the Ministry of Natural Resources in order to identify causes, suggest remedial measures, establish preventative measures and collect evidence for possible litigation procedures.

Speed is of utmost importance in the preliminary stages of a successful investigation. As fish decompose rapidly, particularly in warm weather, evidence of the kill or the cause of death may be unidentifiable within hours. Similarly, in river systems, toxic chemicals and fish corpses may travel downstream rendering it difficult to discern the cause of the kill.

Therefore, if you see evidence of any extensive fish kill, report it immediately to the nearest office of the Ministry of the Environment or the Ministry of Natural Resources.

# SMELT OFFAL — ANOTHER THREAT TO OUR FISHERIES!

Smelt are slowly spreading downstream from the Rainy River watershed.

Anglers who dump fish waste and rinse fish buckets in rivers or streams near their cottages or camps take the risk of introducing fertilized smelt eggs into the water system. This practice is a direct threat to the commercial and recreational fisheries and is contrary to the Ontario Fishery Regulations which prohibit the "transfer (of) any fish or spawn from any body of water to another body of water within Ontario."

The Ministry of Natural Resources advises smelt fishermen operating in Ontario, especial-

ly northwestern Ontario, to take care when rinsing dressing equipment or dumping entrails, and for the sake of our fisheries, to pass the word along.

# **COMMERCIAL FISHING**

Ontario yields more freshwater fish than any other province. In 1982, 22, 758, 424 kg of smelt, lake whitefish, yellow perch and lake herring were caught by the commercial fishery.

In most areas the commercial fish catch consists mainly of non-game species and generally does not interfere with the sport

fishery.

It is a legitimate commercial enterprise which is often necessary for the management of our fish populations in many of our waterbodies.

Despite conflicts between anglers and commercial fishermen it is the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources' aim to promote the harmonious use of the fishery resource amongst all the users.

# **NEED A FISHING MAP?**

Fishing maps of 505 surveyed Ontario lakes are now available. Most maps in this series cost \$1.00 plus tax. Contact the District Office or the Public Service Centre, Ministry of Natural Resources, Whitney Block, Queen's Park, Toronto M7A 1W3 for further details.

# TOPOGRAPHICAL, GEOLOGICAL MAPS AVAILABLE

Topographical and other maps are available at nominal prices. Enquiries should be directed to the Public Service Centre, at the preceding address.

# HELP CONSERVE YOUR FISHERY RESOURCES — REPORT FISHING VIOLATIONS

The unethical angler violates the fishing regulations, damages the resource and reduces fishing opportunities for all sportsmen.

You can help by reporting any violation you see.

Get to know the fishing regulations so that you realize when an offence is taking place.

If you SEE such violations as:

- angling during closed season or in a fish sanctuary
- exceeding day's catch or possession limit
- -using illegal fishing gear
- -damage to fish habitat

**WRITE** down your observations promptly. Notes should include:

- -date, time, location and weather conditions
- identity of violator(s) and companion or an accurate description of them
- -boat or vehicle licence and description

evidence at the sceneaction of violator(s)

AND TELL your observation promptly to a Conservation Officer at the nearest Ministry office or to the police. Give your name, address and phone number to establish your sincerity. All reports will be held in strict confidence.

# PROVINCIAL FISH HATCHERIES

HATCHERY HOURS: 9:00 am-4:00 pm, MON. TO FRI.

The Ministry of Natural Resources maintains a number of fish hatcheries and fish rearing stations in order to support sport fishing and commercial fishing in Ontario. Visitors are welcome but in some hatcheries may be restricted to certain areas. Group tours are by appointment only, arranged through the hatchery manager.

CHATSWORTH — R.R. #2, Chatsworth N0H 1G0 (519) 794-2340 (Splake, Lake Trout) CODRINGTON — Codrington K0K 1R0 (613) 475-2512 (Brook Trout, Rainbow Trout, Lake Trout)

**DEER LAKE**—R.R. #1, Havelock K0L 1Z0 (705) 778-3391 (Muskellunge, Rainbow Trout, Brook Trout, Lake Trout)

**DORION** — Dorion, POT 1K0 (807) 857-2322 (Lake Trout, Brook Trout)

HILLS LAKE—R.R. #2, Englehart P0J 1H0 (705) 544-2834 (Brook Trout, Lake Trout)

NORMANDALE — R.R. #1, Vittoria NOE 1W0 (519) 426-3142 (Rainbow Trout)

NORTH BAY—R.R. #1, Redbridge P0H 2A0 (705) 663-2311 (Brook Trout, Lake Trout, Splake) PEMBROKE—Laurentian Drive, Petawawa, K8H 2Z1 (613) 687-5935 (Lake Trout, Brook Trout, Splake)

RINGWOOD—R.R. #2, Stouffville L0H 1L0 (613) 640-6204 (Coho Salmon, Chinook Salmon)

SANDFIELD—Box 10, R.R. #3, Tehkummah, Manitoulin Is. P0P 2C0 (705) 859-3370 (Small-mouth Bass, Brook Trout, Splake, Lake Trout) SKELETON LAKE—R.R. #1, Utterson P0B 1M0 (705) 769-3731 (Rainbow Trout, Brook Trout, Lake Trout, Splake)

TARENTORUS—R.R. #5, Sault Ste Marie, P6A 6J8 (705) 253-8953 (Lake Trout, Splake, Brook Trout, Rainbow Trout)

**WESTPORT** — Westport, K0G 1X0 (613) 273-2106 (Rainbow Trout, Brook Trout, Lake Trout)

WHITE LAKE—R.R. #1, Sharbot Lake K0H 2P0 (613) 335-2115 (Brook Trout, Lake Trout, Pickerel, Rainbow Trout)



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# **OPEN SEASON GUIDE**

# **ALL DATES INCLUSIVE**

▲ Indicates exception to species season listed below

• Indicates open season

SPECIES	SEASON	DIVISION									
PIKE	All year May 12 (2nd Sat.) to Mar. 31	1	2	3	4	5					
YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE) and SAUGER	All year May 12 (2nd Sat.) to Mar. 31		•	The second secon	•	order of					
BASS (LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH)	June 30 (last Sat.) to Dec. 31 June 30 (last Sat.) to Nov. 30		•	•	•						
MUSKELLUNGE	June 2 (1st Sat.) to Dec. 15 June 16 (3rd Sat.) to Nov. 30		•	•	•	•					
A BROOK TROUT	Apr.28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15 Apr.28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 30		•	•	•	•					
A BROWN TROUT	All year Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 30		•		•	COLUMBATION OF THE TOTAL OF THE					
A RAINBOW TROUT	All year Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 30	Approximate the property of the second	•	•	•	AND TABLE AND THE STREET					
A LAKE TROUT and SPLAKE	All year Jan. 1 to Oct. 10 Jan. 1 to Mar. 15 May 12 (2nd Sat.) to Oct. 5		•	Marrier on pr. com	•						
STURGEON	All year June 15 to May 14	AAAAAA AAAAAA	•	Action 1 to 1	•						

# **EXCEPTIONS TO THE OPEN SEASON GUIDE**

**Brook Trout, Brown Trout, and Rainbow Trout** 

County of Bruce (Division 4)—Cameron Lake, Gillies Lake, Cyprus Lake and County of Grey (Division 4)—Bells Lake, Eugenia Lake, Wilcox Lake, McCullough Lake, Wilder Lake, Bass Lake, Williams Lake, and Irish Lake: Jan. 1-Mar. 31 and Apr. 28 (last Sat. in Apr.) to Sept. 30.

Pinery Park Pond (County of Lambton): Jan. 1 to Mar. 31 and Apr. 28 (last Sat. in Apr.) to Sept. 15.

Lake Trout and Splake

Lake Huron (Division 2): Dec. 1-Sept. 30.

Lake Ontario (Divisions 2 and 8) Jan. 1-Sept. 30.

# Whitefish

Lake Simcoe (Division 5): Jan. 1 to Mar. 15 and May 12 to Oct. 15.

Simcoe County

The Talbot River and its tributaries and the Trent Canal System in the Township of Mara are now part of Division 6.

**Bruce, Grey and Huron Counties** 

All fishing except commercial bait fishing is prohibited from Oct. 1 to Apr. 27 in:

a) all of the streams and rivers in the counties of Bruce and Grey, excluding the waters mentioned in Schedules IV and XXIII, of the Ontario Fishery Regulations.

b) Bayfield River, Nine Mile River, Maitland River and an unnamed Creek known locally as Naftels Creek and their tributaries in the County of Huron, excluding the waters mentioned in Schedules IV and XXIII, of the Ontario Fishery Regulations.

These exceptions are listed on page 16 under Fall Fishing For Rainbow Trout And Brown Trout and under Stream Mouths Having An All Year Open Season On Rainbow Trout And Brown Trout.

Note: Fishing for sturgeon is open all year in the County of Simcoe.

# LIMITS OF CATCH

# YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE), SAUGER OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

Six (6) in one day, see note at end of this section.

# PIKE

Six (6) in one day.

#### MUSKELLUNGE

Two (2) in one day.

# LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

Six (6) in one day.

# **STURGEON**

One (1) in one day.

# **BROOK TROUT**

Seven (7) in one day.

# LAKE TROUT (INCLUDING SPLAKE)

(a) Division 5: Two (2) in one day.

(b) Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4: Three (3) in one day. (See also Pacific Salmon and Trout).

# **RAINBOW TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

# **BROWN TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

# PACIFIC SALMON AND TROUT (EXCLUDING BROOK TROUT)

(a) Lake Simcoe (Division 5): Five (5) in one day Two (2) of which may be lake trout or splake.

(b) All other waters: Five (5) in one day of which three (3) may be lake trout or splake.

#### Note:

PACIFIC SALMON: includes coho salmon, chinook salmon, kokanee salmon, pink salmon and any member of the genus Oncorhynchus.

TROUT: includes rainbow trout, brown trout and lake trout.

# WHITEFISH

(a) Division 5: Two (2) in one day.

(b) All other waters: Twenty-five (25) in one day.

## ATLANTIC SALMON

One (1) in one day.

For other fish species not listed above there is no catch limit in this general area.

Note: In Lake Erie any single boat from which three or more non-residents are angling cannot contain more than 18 yellow pickerel (walleye) taken by such nonresidents in one day.

# MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS

## MUSKELLUNGE

(a) Lake St. Clair: Total length of 76 cm (30 in.)

(b) All other waters: Total length of 71 cm (28 in.)

No size limits on other species in divisions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

# FALL FISHING FOR RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT

The normal open season (April 28 to Sept. 30) is extended to Dec. 31 in:

# **BRUCE COUNTY**

Little Sauble River—in the Township of Bruce from Highway 21 to Lake Huron.

Penetangore River — in the Town of Kincardine from the bridge at Highway 21 to Lake Huron.

**Sauble River**— in the Township of Amabel from Sauble Falls to Lake Huron.

Saugeen River — in the Townships of Arran, Amabel, and Saugeen between Forrester's Bridge in the Town of Paisley and Lake Huron.

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM

The portion lying southerly of Highway 2.

#### **ELGIN COUNTY**

Big Otter Creek—in the Township of Bayham. Little Otter Creek (east branch of Big Otter Creek)—in the Township of Bayham.

#### **GREY COUNTY**

Beaver River—in the Township of Collingwood from the Thornbury hydro dam to Georgian Bay.

**Bighead River**—in the Township of St. Vincent.

Pottawatomi River — in the Town of Owen Sound from the 14th Street West bridge to Owen Sound Bay.

**Sydenham River** — in the City of Owen Sound from a point 177 metres downstream from the Mill Dam, to Georgian Bay.

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALDIMAND-NORFOLK

Big Creek and North Creek — south of Highway 3 in the Townships of Norfolk and Delhi. Young (Ryerse) Creek — in the Township of Norfolk from the mill dam on Lot 23, Concession III, to Lake Erie.

Waterford Ponds—in the City of Nanticoke.

## **HURON COUNTY**

Bayfield River—in the Townships of Goderich and Stanley from Highway 4 to Lake

Lucknow (9 Mile) River — that portion lying between Highway 86 and Lake Huron.

Maitland River — that portion lying between Highway 4 and Lake Huron.

# SIMCOE COUNTY

Coldwater River—in the Townships of Medonte and Tay from the mill dam in the Village of Coldwater to the junction with the North River.

**Hog Creek** — in the Township of Tay from the C.N.R. bridge to Georgian Bay.

North River—in the Township of Matchedash from MacLaughlins Falls to Georgian Bay.

Nottawasaga River — in the Townships of Essa, Flos, Sunnidale and Vespra from the confluence of the Nottawasaga and Boyne Rivers to Georgian Bay.

Sturgeon River — in the Township of Tay.

# STREAM MOUTHS HAVING AN ALL YEAR OPEN SEASON ON RAINBOW AND BROWN TROUT

#### **BRUCE COUNTY**

Penetangore River—in the Town of Kincardine from Queen Street to Lake Huron.

**Sauble River** — in the Township of Amabel from the westerly boundary of Sauble Falls Provincial Park to Lake Huron.

Saugeen River — in the Township of Saugeen from the cement abutments below Denny's Dam to Lake Huron.

# **REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM**

**Duffin Creek** — in the Town of Ajax between the C.N.R. bridge, Concession I and Lake Ontario.

Lynde Creek — in the Town of Whitby between the C.N.R. bridge and Lake Ontario.

Rouge River — in the Town of Pickering between Highway 2 and Lake Ontario.

#### **GREY COUNTY**

**Bighead River**— in the Town of Meaford from Highway 26 to Georgian Bay.

Pottawatomi River — in the City of Owen Sound from the 4th Avenue West bridge to Georgian Bay.

Sydenham River — in the City of Owen Sound from the C.N.R. bridge to Georgian Bay.

**Telfer (Bothwell's) Creek** — in the Township of Sydenham from County Road 15 to Georgian Bay.

## REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

**Bronte Creek** — in the Town of Oakville from Highway 2 to Lake Ontario.

Oakville Creek — in the Town of Oakville from Highway 2 to Lake Ontario

# **HURON COUNTY**

**Bayfield River**— in the Townships of Goderich and Stanley from Highway 21 to Lake Huron.

Maitland River — in the Townships of Colborne and Goderich from the C.P.R. bridge to

Lake Huron.

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALDIMAND-NORFOLK

**Black Creek** — in the City of Nanticoke from Highway 3 to Lake Erie.

**Lynn River** — in the Town of Port Dover from the Misner Dam to Lake Erie.

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH

**Spencer Creek**—in the City of Hamilton from Regional Road 41 to Lake Ontario.

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF METROPOLITAN TORONTO

Humber River—in the cities of Etobicoke, York and Toronto between the "Old Mill Dam", 430 metres upstream of the Old Mill Road bridge, and Lake Ontario.

Rouge River — in the Town of Pickering between Highway 2 and Lake Ontario.

# **REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA**

Twelve Mile Creek—in the City of St. Catharines between Lakeport Road and Lake Ontario.

Fifteen Mile Creek — in the City of St. Catharines and Town of Lincoln between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.

Sixteen Mile Creek — in the Town of Lincoln between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.

Twenty Mile Creek — in the Town of Lincoln between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario

Forty Mile Creek — in the Town of Grimsby between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.

#### **REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL**

**Credit River**— in the City of Mississauga from the Queen Elizabeth Way to Lake Ontario.

# FISH SANCTUARIES\*

THE DATES INDICATE PERIOD WHEN NO FISHING IS PERMITTED

#### **BRUCE COUNTY**

Colpoy's Creek; Albemarle Twp: Jan. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.) & Sept. 1 - Oct. 16.

Willow Creek; St. Edmunds Twp: Apr. 28-May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

### **ELGIN COUNTY**

Thames River; Chatham to Middlemiss Bridge: Mar. 15-Apr. 15.

#### **GREY COUNTY**

Gleason Brook; Keppel Twp: Jan. 1-May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.) & Sept. 1-Oct. 16. Pottawatomi River, Maxwell's Creek, Sydenham River; Derby Twp: Mar. 1-May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Indian River; Sarawak Twp: Mar. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Minniehill Creek; St. Vincent Twp: Apr. 30

- May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)Indian Brook; Collingwood Twp: Apr. 30

-May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Telfer Creek (Bothwell's Creek); Sydenham Twp: Oct. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.) Rocklyn Creek and all its tributaries; St. Vincent and Sydenham Twps: Apr. 30 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Walters Creek; Holland and Sydenham Twps: Apr. 30 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.) Sydenham River; City of Owen Sound and Derby Twp: Apr. 30 – May 11 (Fri. preceding

2nd. Sat.)

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALDIMAND-NORFOLK

Fisher's Creek, Normandale Creek; Delhi Twp: Oct. 1 – Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.) Young's Creek; City of Nanticoke: Jan. 1 – Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

Bronte Creek; In the Town of Oakville from the northerly limit of Highway No. 2 and the southerly limit of the unopened road allowance between concessions III and IV: Closed all year.

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH

Spencer Creek; Flamborough Twp: Apr. 1 – June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

# **HURON COUNTY**

Nine Mile River; 100 metres above Port Albert Fishway; Ashfield Twp: Closed all year.

# **KENT COUNTY**

**Thames River;** Chatham to Middlemiss Bridge: Mar. 15 – Apr. 15.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Thames River; Chatham to Middlemiss Bridge: Mar. 15 - Apr. 15.

# DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY OF MUSKOKA

Crooked (East) Bay of Six Mile Lake; Georgian Bay Twp: Closed all year.

Tug Channel and unnamed channel between Little Lake and Georgian Bay; Baxter (Geog.) Twp: Apr. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

Lake Erie (Cassaday Point); City of Port Colborne: May 15 – June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat. in June).

Lake Erie (Gravelly Bay); City of Port Colborne: May 15-June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat. in June).

Lake Erie; (Fort Erie): May 15-June 30 (last Sat. in June).

#### **OXFORD COUNTY**

Thames River; Between the dam at Gordon Pittock Reservoir to the bridge at Hwy. 59; Apr. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

## REGIONAL MUNCIPALITY OF PEEL

Credit River; Mississauga-from Q.E.W. to Hwy 5 and from Burnhamthorpe Road to Streetsville Memorial Park: Aug. 15-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

## SIMCOE COUNTY

**Sparrow Lake (West Bay)**; Matchedash Twp: Closed all year.

Nottawasaga River; Part of Essa Twp: Sept. 16 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Tug Channel; Tay Twp: Apr. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Talbot River; Mara Twp: Mar. 16 – June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Pretty River; and tributaries; Nottawasaga Twp.: all of river in said twp., Collingwood and the police village of Nottawa: Jan. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Silver Creek; and tributaries; Nottawasaga Twp.: Jan. 1 - Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.) Boyne River; Tosorontio Twp: Sept. 16 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

**Sturgeon River;** Tay and Medonte Twps: Jan. 1 – Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

North River; Tay & Matchedash Twps: Apr. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

# **REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK**

Black River, Pefferlaw Brook; Georgina Twp: May 12 (2nd. Sat.) – June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

\* Fish Sanctuaries are not described in detail. Anglers should check with the local District Office of the Ministry of Natural Resources for more detailed and updated information.

# PROVINCIAL FISHING AREAS

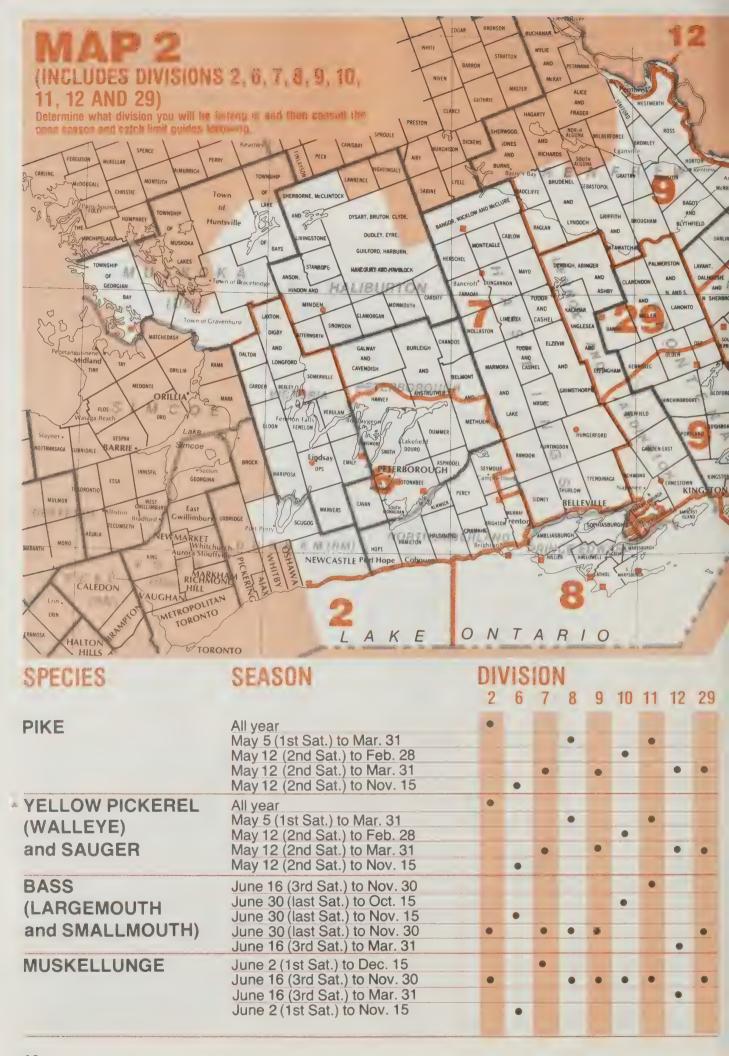
Creel limit is 5 trout and may consist of all brook trout or all rainbow trout or any combination of the two. (Applies to all Provincial Fishing Areas.)

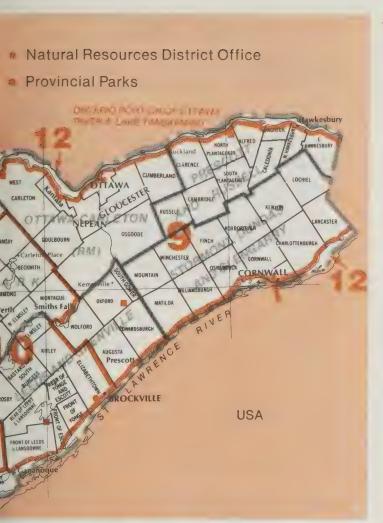
**EARL ROWE** Provincial Park, 800 metres west of Alliston on Highway 89—stocked with rainbow trout—80 acre lake and 1.5 km of stream— shore and boat fishing—camping, picnic tables and rest rooms available.

PINE RIVER Fishing Area—8 km north of Shelburne on Highway 24, 3 km east of Hornings Mills on River Road—stocked with brook trout and rainbow trout—3 ponds and 1.5 km of stream—shore, dock and canoe fishing—rest rooms available.

ST. WILLIAMS Fishing Area, Highway 24, 6 km from St. Williams at the St. Williams Forest Station—stocked with brook trout and rainbow trout—one pond—shore fishing—picnic tables and rest rooms available.







# EXCEPTIONS TO THE **OPEN SEASON GUIDE**

Yellow Pickerel and Sauger

Lake Scugog (Division 6): May 12 (2nd Sat.) to Mar. 15.

Lake Trout and Splake

Lake Huron (Division 2): Dec. 1 to Sept. 30. Lake Ontario (Divisions 2 and 8): Jan. 1 to Sept. 30

# ATTENTION YELLOW PICKEREL FISHERMEN (IN DIVISION 6) **CHANGES IN ONTARIO** FISHERY REGULATIONS

In 1984, as in previous years, yellow pickerel season on the Kawartha Lakes in Division 6 will open on the second Saturday in May, EXCEPT AT SPECIAL SANCTUARY AREAS.

Fish sanctuaries at designated dams, "fast water" areas and portions of some rivers on the Trent-Severn Waterway will remain closed to all fishing until the THIRD SATURDAY IN MAY. Details concerning dates and locations are contained in the list of Fish Sanctuaries for Map 2.

Note: In Division 29, no person shall angle through ice with more than one line.

# **OPEN SEASON GUIDE ALL DATES INCLUSIVE**

- Indicates open season
- Indicates exception to species season listed below

SPECIES	SEASON	DIVISION					SON DIVISION			
		2	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	29
BROOK TROUT	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15	<b>(</b> •,	•		•	•	•	•	•	•
BROWN TROUT	All year Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
RAINBOW TROUT	All year Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15		•		•		•		•	C. S.
LAKE TROUT and SPLAKE	All year Jan. 1 to Oct. 10 Mar.10 (2nd Sat.) to Sept. 8 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Oct. 10 Feb. 4 (1st Sat.) to Feb. 19 (3rd Sun.) June 2 (1st Sat.) to Sept. 8	•	•	•	•		•	•	-	•
STURGEON	All year June 15 to May 14	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•

# LIMITS OF CATCH

# YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE), SAUGER OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

- (a) Division 8: Four (4) in one day.
- (b) All other waters: Six (6) in one day.

#### PIKE

Six (6) in one day.

#### MUSKELLUNGE

- (a) Divisions 8 and 11: One (1) in one day.
- (b) All other waters: Two (2) in one day.

# LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

Six (6) in one day.

# **STURGEON**

One (1) in one day.

# **BROOK TROUT**

Seven (7) in one day.

# LAKE TROUT (INCLUDING SPLAKE)

- (a) Division 29:
  - (i) One (1) in one day from Mar. 10 (2nd. Sat.) to Apr. 30.
  - (ii) Two (2) in one day from May 1 to Sept. 8.
- (b) All other waters: Three (3) in one day. (See also Pacific Salmon and Trout.)

# **RAINBOW TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

## **BROWN TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

# PACIFIC SALMON AND TROUT (EXCLUDING BROOK TROUT)

Five (5) in one day, except that no more than 3 may be lake trout or splake. (See also Lake Trout)

#### Note:

PACIFIC SALMON: incudes coho salmon, chinook salmon, kokanee salmon, pink salmon and any member of the genus Oncorhynchus.

TROUT: includes rainbow trout, brown trout and lake trout.

## ATLANTIC SALMON

One (1) in one day.

## WHITEFISH

Twenty-five (25) in one day.

For fish species not listed above there is no catch limit in this general area.

# MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS

## MUSKELLUNGE

- (a) Divisions 8 & 11: Total length of 91 cm (36 in.)
- (b) All other waters: Total length of 71 cm (28 in.)

# LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS

- (a) Division 10: Total length of 30 cm (12 in.)
- (b) All other waters: No size limit.

# YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE)

- (a) Division 10: Total length of 35 cm. (13.78 in.)
- (b) All other waters: No size limit.

No size limits on other species in Divisions 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

All fishing is prohibited in Division 6 (including Kawartha Lakes and Dalrymple Lake in Victoria and Simcoe Counties) from November 16 to the Friday immediately preceding the last Saturday in April in any year.

This restriction does not apply to Lake Scugog; nor does it apply to those designated streams having a special extended season for rainbow and brown trout.

In division 29 there is a year round ban on fishing with lake herring as bait.

# FALL FISHING FOR RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT

The normal open season (April 28 to Sept. 30) is extended to Dec. 31 in the following areas.

# **REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM**

The area south of Highway 2

# **NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY**

The area south of Highway 2, excluding the Ganaraska River.

# STREAM MOUTHS HAVING AN ALL YEAR OPEN SEASON ON RAINBOW AND BROWN TROUT

#### REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM

Bowmanville Creek—in the Town of Newcastle between the C.N.R. bridge and Lake Ontario. Duffin Creek—in the Town of Ajax between the C.N.R. bridge at lot 14, Concession I, and Lake Ontario.

**Lynde Creek** — in the Town of Whitby between the C.N.R. bridge and Lake Ontario.

Rouge River—in the Town of Pickering between Highway 2 and Lake Ontario.

**Soper Creek**—in the Town of Newcastle between the C.N.R. bridge and the edge of the Bowmanville Creek.

#### NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Ganaraska River—in the Town of Port Hope from the C.N.R. bridge to Lake Ontario.

Gages Creek—in the Township of Hope between the C.N.R. bridge and Lake Ontario.

# FISH SANCTUARIES\*

THE DATES INDICATE PERIOD WHEN NO FISHING IS PERMITTED.

#### **REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM**

Beaverton River; Brock Twp: May 12 (2nd. Sat.) – June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Talbot River; Brock Twp: Mar. 16-June 29 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Lake Scugog; Hwy 7A (causeways), Scugog Twp: Apr. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

#### FRONTENAC COUNTY

**Opinicon Lake** (Darling Bay); Storrington Twp: Closed all year.

White Lake; Olden Twp: Closed all year.

## HALIBURTON COUNTY

**Drag River**; between Bailey's Dam and Head Lake: Apr. 1-May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

**Burnt River**; between County Road no. 3 and Blue Hawk Lake: Apr. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

**Drizzle Lake; Hay Lake;** Dysart, Bruton, Clyde, Dudley, Eyre, Guilford, Harburn, Harcourt and Havelock Twps: Oct. 11 – Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

#### **HASTINGS COUNTY**

**Trent River**; in the City of Trenton between the C.N.R. bridge and the Dundas Street bridge: Apr. 1-May 4 (Fri. preceding 1st. Sat.)

Trent River; Percy Twp.; Conc. XII: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) - May 18 (Fri. prec. 3rd Sat.)

#### LANARK COUNTY

Mississippi River; Twp. of Drummond: Closed all year.

McEwan Bay of Mississippi Lake (Mud Lake); Drummond Twp: Sept. 15 - Dec. 15.

**Tay River & Christie Lake**; Bathurst Twp: Apr. 1–June 4 (1st. Mon.)

## **LEEDS AND GRENVILLE COUNTY**

Newboro Lake (The Bog), Sand Lake (Free-man's Bay) Whitefish Lake (Jones Falls Bay), Opinicon Lake (Murphy Bay); S. Crosby Twp: Closed all year.

Rideau Lake (The Bog), Rideau Lake (Long Island): Bastard & S. Burgess Twp: Closed all vear.

Newboro Lake (Old Iron Mine Bay); N. Crosby & S. Crosby: Closed all year.

Pierce's Flow; Twp. of Rear of Leeds & Lansdowne: Closed all year.

Sand Lake & river between Sand & Wolfe Lakes, Westport Pond; North Crosby Twp: Closed all year.

Wiltse Creek, Black Creek; Front of Leeds & Lansdowne Twp: Closed all year.

# **LENNOX AND ADDINGTON COUNTY**

Napanee River; Town of Napanee: April 1-Apr. 30.

## **DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY OF MUSKOKA**

Moon River; lots 33 to 36 in Concs. VIII, IX and X, Freeman Twp: Apr. 16 - May 31.

Skeleton River; Muskoka Twp.; Between lots 42 and Skeleton Lake Fish Culture property: Closed all year.

#### NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Healey Falls; Seymour Twp.; Trent River and Canal in Conc. XI: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Campbellford; Seymour Twp.; Trent River and Canal in Conc. VI: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Ganaraska River; Town of Port Hope, C.N.R. bridge to Corbett Dam: Sept. 16 – Nov. 30.

# PETERBOROUGH COUNTY

Nogies Creek; Harvey, Galway and Cavendish Twps.: Closed all year.

Gannon's Narrows; Harvey and Ennismore Twps.: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Bridgenorth Causeway; Smith and Ennismore Twps.: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Buckhorn; Smith and Harvey Twps.; Trent-Severn Dam to a point 400 m below the dam: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Lovesick Dams; Smith and Harvey Twps.; Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Burleigh Falls; Smith and Harvey Twps.; Trent Severn Dam to Stony Lake: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Young's Point; Smith and Douro Twps.; Trent-Severn Dam to Highway 28 bridge: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.) Peterborough; Otonabee River from Trent-Severn Dam at Lock 19 to Bensfort Bridge: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd Sat.)

Hastings; Trent River fronting Conc. VIII Asphodel Twp.: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

## PRESCOTT AND RUSSELL COUNTY

South Nation River; Cambridge Twp: Apr. 1 – Apr. 30.

**South Nation River;** North Plantagenet Twp: Apr. 1 – Apr. 30.

Ottawa River; Between the Quebec Carillon Power House and Pointe Fortune: Apr. 1 – Apr. 30.

# PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY

Lake Ontario; Ameliasburgh Twp: Closed all vear.

Lake Ontario; Athol and S. Marysburg Twps: Oct. 15 - Dec. 31.

Consecon Creek; Hillier and Ameliasburg Twps: Apr. 1 - Apr. 30.

Consecon Creek; Hillier Twp: Apr. 1 - Apr. 30.

#### RENFREW COUNTY

Wolfsden Lake; Sherwood, Jones and Burns Twps: Oct. 11 - Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Calabogie Lake; Barret's Chute, Legree's Bay and that part of Constan Creek in lots 20 of Conc. 12, Bagot Twp.: Apr. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Madawaska River; within lots 17 and 18 in Concs. IX and X in Bagot Twp. and between the Arnprior generating station and the Ottawa River, McNab Twp: Apr. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Bonnechere River; North Algona and Hagarty Twps.: Apr. 1 - May 19 (3rd Sat.)

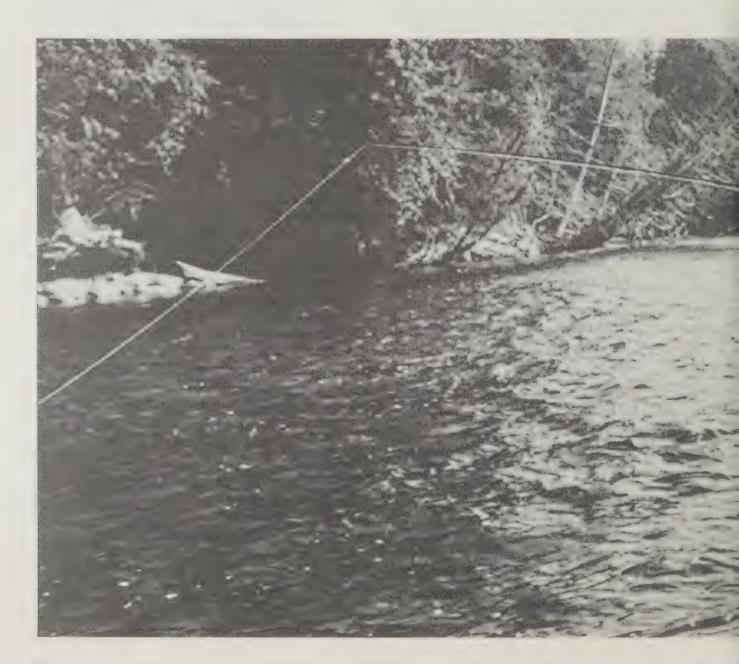
# STORMONT, DUNDAS AND GLENGARRY COUNTY

Raisin River; That portion of the river in the village of Martintown; Charlottenburg Twp.; Apr. 1 – Apr. 30.

# **VICTORIA COUNTY**

Kirkfield; Talbot River fronting Conc. VII, VIII and IX Carden Twp.: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Coboconk; Gull River below Trent-Severn Dam: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd Sat.)



Rosedale; Fenelon Twp.; Trent-Severn Dam to Cameron Lake: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Fenelon Falls; Fenelon Twp.; Trent-Severn Dam to Juniper Street power line: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.) Lindsay; Ops Twp.; Trent-Severn Dam to Ops-Fenelon boundary: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

**Bobcaygeon**; Verulam and Harvey Twps.: Trent-Severn Dam to Pigeon Lake and Little Bob power dam to Pigeon Lake: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Omemee; Emily Twp.; Pigeon River from Omemee Dam to C.N.R. bridge: Apr. 28 (last Sat.) – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

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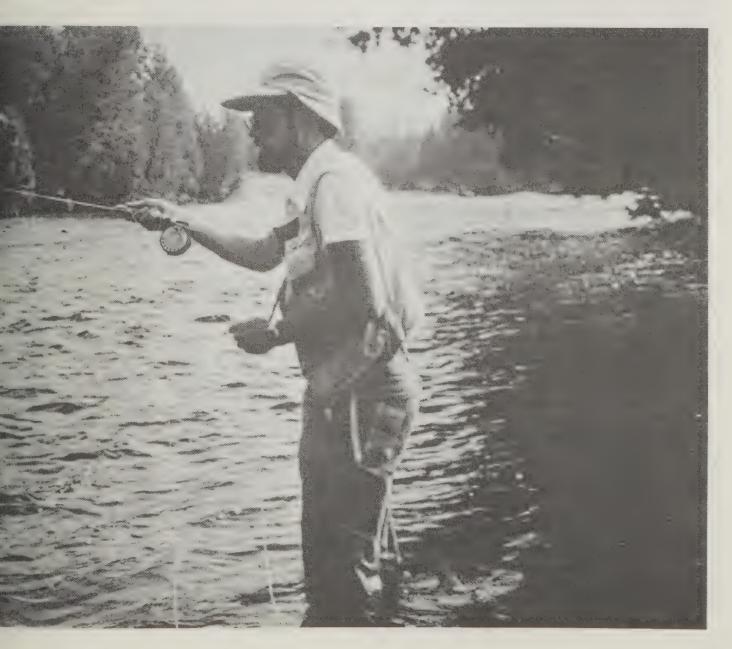
# **PROVINCIAL FISHING AREAS**

Creel limit is 5 trout and may consist of all brook trout or all rainbow trout or any combination of the two. (Applies to all Provincial Fishing Areas)

Cornwall Recreation Area, 6 km west of downtown Cornwall, off Power Dam Drive,— stocked with brook trout—14 acre pond—shore, boat and ice fishing—picnic tables and rest rooms available.

George Challies Fishing Area, 14 km east of Highway 31 at Williamsburg on county road 18—stocked with brook trout and rainbow trout—5 acre pond-shore fishing—picnic tables and rest rooms available.

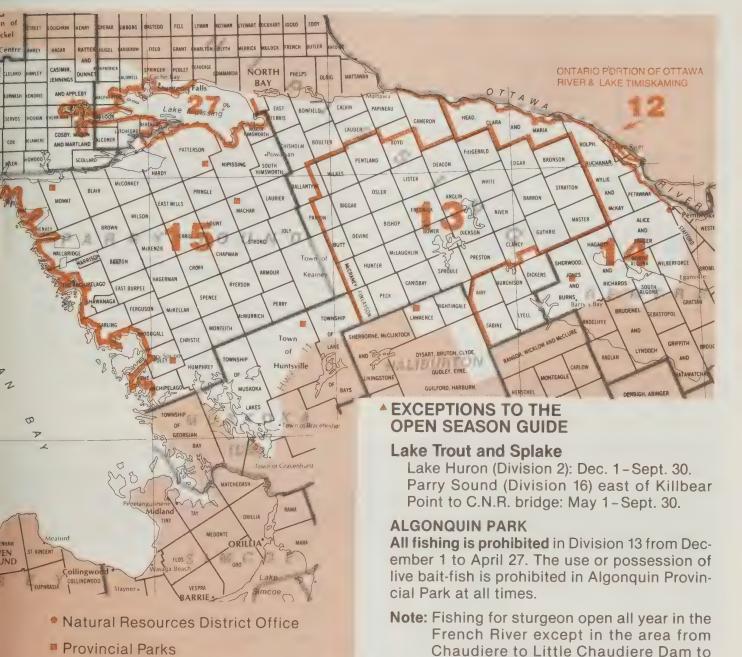
Millbrook Fishing Area, 3 km south of Millbrook south on county road 10, off Highway 115, through Millbrook, then west on third concession road—stocked with brook trout and rainbow trout—3 small ponds and 690 metres of stream-shore fishing—picnic tables available.





- Indicates open season
- ▲ Indicates exception to species season listed below

SPECIES	SEASON		/IS 12			15	16	17	27	28
PIKE	All year May 12 (2nd Sat.) to Mar. 31 May 19 (3rd Sat.) to Nov. 30 May 19 (3rd Sat.) to Mar. 31 May 15 to Mar. 31 May 1 to Mar. 15		•	35/10/	•	•	•		•	•
YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE) and SAUGER	All year May 12 (2nd Sat.) to Mar. 31 May 19 (3rd Sat.) to Nov. 30 May 19 (3rd Sat.) to Mar. 31 May 23 to Mar. 15 May 1 to Mar. 15		•	•	•		•		•	
BASS (LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH)	June 30 (last Sat.) to Nov. 30 June 16 (3rd Sat.) to Mar. 31	The same of the sa	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
MUSKELLUNGE	June 16 (3rd Sat.) to Nov. 30 June 16 (3rd Sat.) to Mar. 31		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•



**SPECIES** SEASON DIVISION 12 13 14 15 16 17 28 **BROOK TROUT** Jan. 1 to Sept. 15 Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15 **BROWN TROUT** All year Jan. 1 to Sept. 15 Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15 **RAINBOW TROUT** All year Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Apr.28 (last Sat.) to Dec. 31 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Sept. 15 **LAKE TROUT** All year Dec. 1 to Sept. 30 and SPLAKE Jan. 1 to Oct. 10 Apr. 28 (last Sat.) to Oct. 10 **STURGEON** All vear June 15 to May 14 July 1 to May 31

Lake Nipissing which is part of Divison 27.

# LIMITS OF CATCH

# YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE) AND SAUGER OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

Six (6) in one day.

# PIKE

Six (6) in one day.

# MUSKELLUNGE

Two (2) in one day.

# LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

Six (6) in one day.

# **STURGEON**

One (1) in one day.

# **BROOK TROUT**

Seven (7) in one day.

# LAKE TROUT (INCLUDING SPLAKE)

Three (3) in one day. (See also Pacific Salmon and Trout).

# **RAINBOW TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

#### **BROWN TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

# PACIFIC SALMON AND TROUT (EXCLUDING BROOK TROUT)

Five (5) in one day, except that no more than three (3) may be lake trout to splake.

#### Note:

PACIFIC SALMON: includes coho salmon, chinook salmon, kokanee salmon, pink salmon and any member of the genus Oncorhynchus.

TROUT: includes rainbow trout, brown trout and lake trout.

# ATLANTIC SALMON

One (1) in one day.

#### WHITEFISH

Twenty-five (25) in one day.

## **PERCH**

- (a) Divison 17: Fifty (50) in one day.
- (b) Division 28 (including Lakes Kagawong, Manitou, Wolsley and Mindemoya): Fifty (50) in one day.
- (c) All other waters: no limit

For other fish species not listed above there is no catch limit in this general area.

# MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS

# MUSKELLUNGE

Total length of 71 cm (28 in.)

No size limits on other species in this general area.

# FISH SANCTUARIES\*

THE DATES INDICATE PERIOD WHEN NO FISHING IS PERMITTED.

# HALIBURTON COUNTY

Drizzle Lake and Hay Lake; Clyde Twp: Oct. 11 – Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)
Crystal Lake; Lawrence (Geog.) Twp.: Closed all year.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF MANITOULIN

Shallow Bay of Georgian Bay: Closed all year. Manitou River, Blue Jay Creek; Tehkummah Twp: Mar. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.) Srigley Creek; Mills Twp: Mar. 1 – May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Nameless Creek; Dawson Twp: Mar. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

# DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY OF MUSKOKA

Gartersnake River; Town of Gravenhurst: Apr. 1 - May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.) Kahshe River; Town of Gravenhurst: Apr. 1 -May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

Six Mile Creek (Bennett's Creek); Muskoka Lakes Twp: Apr. 1 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

**Skeleton River**; Muskoka Lakes Twp. from the dam at the outlet of Skeleton Lake downstream approx. 500 m: Closed all year.

Severn River; Town of Gravenhurst; April 1-May 11 (Fri. preceding 2nd. Sat.)

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF NIPISSING

Duchesney Creek; Commanda Twp.; Lake Nipissing to the C.N.R.: Apr. 1 – May 15. Bonnechere River; Horton Twp.: Apr. 1 – May

19 (3rd. Sat.)

Lower Hay Lake, Drizzle Lake, Otter Creek, Hay Lake; Sabine & Airy Twps: Oct. 11 – Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Wolfsden (Spectacle) Lake; Dickens Twp: Oct. 11 - Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Mykiss Lake, Rumley Lake, Little Mykiss Lake, Chipmunk Lake, Presto Lake; Preston Twp: Closed all year.

Shallnot Lake; Clancy Twp: Closed all year. Lake Nipissing; Iron Island vicinity, Apr. 15-May 15.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF PARRY SOUND

Shawanaga River; west of C.P.R. right of way, Shawanaga Twp: Apr. 16 - May 31.

Bernard Creek, (Stirling & Stony Creek), Joly Creek; from Hwy. 11 to C.N.R. right of way, Strong Twp: Apr. 16 - May 31.

Wistiwasing River; North Himsworth Twp: Apr. 1 - May 31.

Sucker Creek; Wilson Twp: Apr. 1 – May 14. Georgian Bay & Seguin River; Town of Parry Sound: May 1 – May 31.

Blackstone Harbour; Archipelago Twp.; Lot 37: Apr. 16 - May 31.

Seguin River; McDougall Twp.; Lots 18 to 20: Mar. 15 - May 15.

Magnetawan River; Chapman Twp.; Apr. 26 – May 31.

Restoule Lake and River; Patterson Twp: Mar. 1-June 1.

Distress River; Machar Twp: Apr. 16 - May 31. Wahwashkesh Lake; McKenzie and Burton Twps: Jan. 1 - May 18 (Fri: preceding 3rd. Sat.)

North Branch of the Magnetawan River; Armour and Strong Twps.: the bridge between Lots 30 and 31 in Strong Twp. to Pickerel Lake: April 1 - May 19 (3rd. Sat.)

Fowke Lake; Lount Twp: Jan. 1 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Miskokway Lake; Burton Twp: Jan. 1 – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

**Trout Lake**; East Burpee Twp: Jan. 1 – May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

## **RENFREW COUNTY**

Wolfsden Lake; Sherwood, Jones and Burns Twps: Oct. 11 - Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

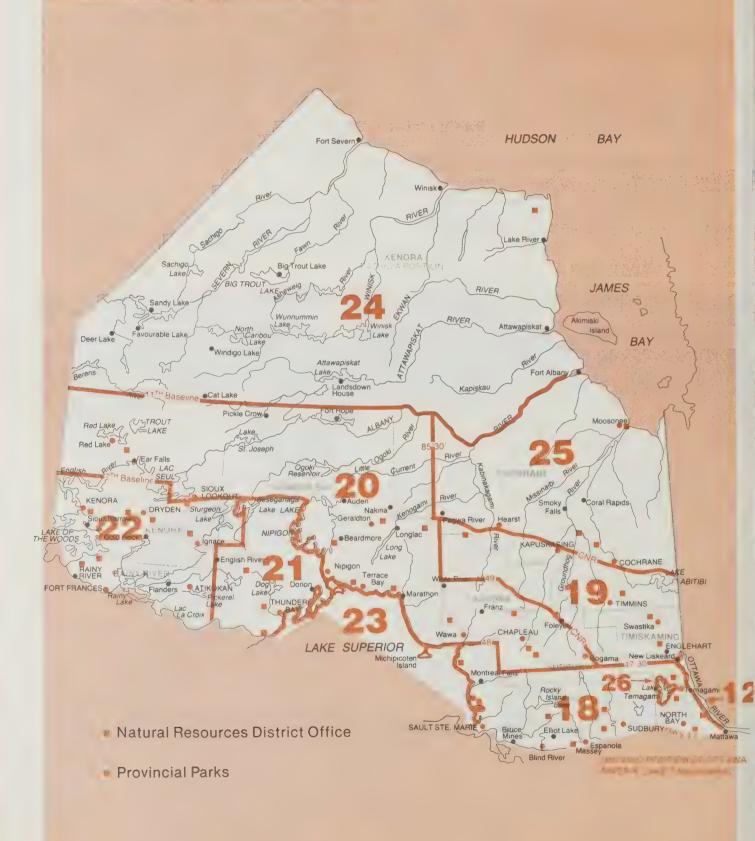
# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF SUDBURY Middle Lake, Lohi Lake; Broder Twp: Closed all year.

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# (INCLUDES DIVISIONS 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 AND 26)

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# **OPEN SEASON GUIDE**

# **ALL DATES INCLUSIVE**

- Indicates exception to species season listed below
- Indicates open season

SPECIES	SEASON	DIVISION 12 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26									
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# **EXCEPTIONS TO THE OPEN SEASON GUIDE**

Waonga Lake, Dana Lake and Clearwater Lake (Division 19): Lake Trout and Splake: Jan. 1-Sept. 30.

Clarice Lake, Labyrinth Lake and Raven Lake (Division 19): Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: June 15 – Mar. 31

Pike: May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)-Apr.

Yellow Pickerel (Walleye) and Sauger: May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.) – Apr. 15.

Lake Trout and Splake: Feb. 15 - Mar. 15 and May 19 - Sept. 14.

In Clarice Lake and Labyrinth Lake use of live baitfish is prohibited.

When angling through the ice five (5) lines per person are allowed on Labyrinth Lake.

A holder of a Quebec angling permit; either resident or non-resident, is deemed to be a resident of Ontario when angling in these three lakes.

#### WHITEFISH

- (a) Namakan Lake and Rainy Lake in the District of Rainy River: Nov. 16-Oct. 24.
- (b) All other waters open year round.

# LIMITS OF CATCH

# YELLOW PICKEREL (WALLEYE), SAUGER OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

(a) Six (6) in one day. See note at end of this section.

# PIKE

Six (6) in one day.

# MUSKELLUNGE

Two (2) in one day.

# LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF

Six (6) in one day.

# STURGEON

One (1) in one day.

# **BROOK TROUT**

- (a) Four (4) fish from Lake Nipigon and Nipigon River system and Division 23.
- (b) Five (5) fish from Division 24.
- (c) Seven (7) fish from waters other than those listed in (a) and (b).

# LAKE TROUT (INCLUDING SPLAKE)

Three (3) in one day.

(See also Pacific Salmon and Trout).

## **RAINBOW TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

#### **BROWN TROUT**

See Pacific Salmon and Trout.

# PACIFIC SALMON AND TROUT (EXCLUDING BROOK TROUT)

5 in one day, except that no more than 3 may be lake trout or splake.

#### Note:

PACIFIC SALMON: includes coho salmon, chinook salmon, kokanee salmon, pink salmon and any member of the genus Oncorhvnchus.

TROUT: includes rainbow trout, brown trout and lake trout.

# ATLANTIC SALMON

One (1) in one day.

## WHITEFISH

Twenty-five (25) in one day.

# **CRAPPIES**

- (a) Forty (40) from waters of Division 22
- (b) All other waters: No limit.

For other fish species not listed above there is no catch limit in this general area.

Note: In the Lake of the Woods any single boat from which three or more non-residents are angling cannot contain more than 18 yellow pickerel taken by such non-residents in one day.

# MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS

# MUSKELLUNGE

Total length of 71 cm (28 inches).

#### **STURGEON**

(a) Division 21 and 22: Total length of 114 cm (45 inches).

No size limits on other species in Divisions 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26.

# FISH SANCTUARIES \*

THE DATES INDICATE THE PERIOD WHEN NO FISHING IS PERMITTED.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF ALGOMA

Katzenbach Lake: Closed all year.

Chiblow Lake; Montgomery, Patton, Scarfe & Juilette Twps: Oct. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Denman Lake; Montgomery & Patton Twps: Oct. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Wakwekobi (Big Basswood) Lake; Day, Gladstone & Kirkwood Twps: Oct. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Flack Lake, Jimchrist (Christman) Lake; Fullerton (Lanark) Lake; Raimbault Twp: Oct. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Samreid Lake, Bobowash Lake; Raimbault Twp: Closed all year.

Semiwhite Lake; Hembruff Twp: Sept. 10 (2nd. Mon.) - May 31 (Thurs. preceding 1st. Fri. in June)

Kabinakagami River; Lizar and Mosambik Twps: Apr. 15-June 15.

Oba River; Ermine Twp: Apr. 15-June 15 Rawhide Lake: Viel Twp: Oct. 1 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Helenbar Lake; Hembruff Twp: Oct. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Kirpatrick Lake & streams & stream connecting Robb Lake & Onedee Lake; LeCaron & Sayer Twps: May 1 - May 25.

Dayohessarah Lake; Hambleton & Odlum Twps: Sept. 15 - Dec. 31.

White Rock Lake; McNie Twp: Closed all

Barr River: Macdonald Twp: Apr. 15-June 15. Nagagamisis Lake & River; Elgie Twp: Apr. 15 -June 15.

Ezma Lake; Nicholas Twp: Closed all year. Gibberry Lake, Dollyberry Lake; Beange & Raimbault Twps: Closed all year.

Clare Lake, Young Lake; Arnott Twp: Closed all year.

Horseshoe Lake: LeCaron Twp: Closed all

Narrows of Wabatongushi Lake; Challener Twp: Closed all year.

Hoodoo Bay of Oba Lake; Simpson Twp: Closed all year.

Foch River; Foch, Flanders & Frances Twps: Apr. 15 - June 15

Mississagi River; Gladstone, Bright, Thompson & Cobden Twps: Mar. 10 (2nd. Sat.) - May 18 (3rd. Fri.)

Murray Creek, Murray Lake, Dog-McMurtry Narrows; Bruyere Twp: Closed all year.

Dog Lake (Bay 57); West Twp: Closed all year. Lochalsh River & Lochalsh Bay (Dog Lake); Riggs Twp: Closed all year.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF COCHRANE

Commando Lake; Glackmeyer Twp: Nov. 1-Feb. 11 (Sat. preceding 2nd. Sun.)

Mattagami River; Mountjoy Twp: Apr. 15-May 31.

Twenty-six Mile Creek, Parliament Creek: Apr. 15 - May 31.

Big Club Lake; Bond & MacKlem Twps: All

Kitigan River, Beaver Creek, Balsam Lake & unnamed stream; Fauquier Twp: Apr. 15-June 15.

Floodwood River on Little Abitibi Lake: May 1 -June 15.

## TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF KENORA

East Cedar Lake, Cedar River: Apr. 1 - May 31. Taylor Lake: Sept. 1-June 30.

Scattergood Lake: Sept. 1-July 31.

Twill Lake, Flower Lake, Twinflower Lake, Parnes Lake, Twin Bay of Minnitaki Lake & connecting streams: Apr. 15-June 1.

Vermilion River & tributaries: Apr. 14-June 5.

White Otter Lake: May 15-June 15.

Crook Lake, Rutter Lake, Secret Lake, Little Greytrout Lake: Feb. 1-June 30 & Aug. 1-Dec. 31.

Maskinonge Lake, Hooch Lake, Cloudlet Lake & connecting streams; Echo, Lomond, Pickerel & Vermilion Twps: Closed all year.

Moose Creek; Between Big Moose Lake and Cobble Lake including part of Cobble Lake: Apr. 1 - May 31.

Passover Creek; Between the southern end of Meridian Bay and Chancellor Lake: Apr. 1-May 31.

Ladysmith Creek; Between Rugby Lake and Tent Lake: Apr. 1 - May 31.

Lee Lake: Mulcahy and Killala Twps: Mar. 1-Dec. 31.

Guthason Lake; Jan. 1 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Islets Lake; Jan. 1 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd.

Eagle Lake; Portions of Eagle Lake and some tributaries: Apr. 1 - May 31.

Trout River; from the Falls of Sakwite Lake to the outlet to Otukamamoan Lake: Apr. 14-June 16 (3rd. Sat.)

Lake of the Woods-Sabaskong Bay; Godson Twp: Apr. 15 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.) Laclu Creek (Belle Creek); Pellatt Twp: Apr. 15 - May 31.

Island Creek; Haycock Twp: Apr. 15 - May 31. Root River (flows south into Lac Seul, Kenora District Patricia Portion); between latitude 50°49' and latitude 50°39': Mar. 15-June 21.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF NIPISSING

Four Mile Creek; Widdifield Twp: Closed all

Lake Temagami (Austin Bay); Vogt Twp: even numbered years.

Lake Temagami (Pickerel Bay); Cynthia Twp: even numbered years.

Lake Temagami (Island Bay); Phylis Twp: odd numbered years.

Lake Temagami (Hammerhandle Bay); Aston & Canton Twps: odd numbered years.

Shanty Lake, Cut Lake, McConnell Lake: Mc-Auslan Twp: Oct. 1 - Apr. 30.

Herridge Lake (south end) & Herridge Creek inlet; Strathcona & Law Twps: Apr. 15 - June

Manitou Lake; Clement Twp: Jan. 1 - Apr. 30. Turtleshell Lake; Clement & Scholes Twps: Jan. 1 - Apr. 30.

Eaglerock Lake: Scholes Twp: Jan. 1 - Apr. 30. Sturgeon River; Springer Twp. Apr. 1 - May 31. Net Lake; 100 metres easterly and westerly of the O.N.R. bridge in Temagami Twp.: Apr. 15 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

Tomiko River; Between the bridge in Lot 8, Concession IV, Grant Twp. and Tomiko Lake: April 1 - May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF RAINY RIVER

Grimshaw Lake; Closed all year.

Campbell Lake, Dad Lake; Odd numbered years.

Lilac Lake, Trout Lake; Oct. 1 - May 31.

Trout River; from the Falls of Sakwite Lake to the outlet to Otukamamoan Lake: Apr. 14-June 16 (3rd. Sat.)

Squirrel Falls; between Namakan Lake and Rainy Lake downstream for 100 metres from the Canadian Kettle Falls: Closed all year.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF SUDBURY

Bowland Lake; Howey Twp.: Closed all year. Kukagami Lake; Davis, Kelly, Rathburn and Scadding Twps: Jan. 1 - Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

Mattagami River; Gouin & Hassard Twps: Apr. 15 - May 31.

Whitefish Lake; Ermatinger & Totten Twps: Closed all year.

Carol Lake; Beulah Twp: Closed all year.

Minisinakwa River; Noble, Togo & Mattagami

Twps: Apr. 15 - May 31.

Nabakwasi River; Togo Twp: Apr. 15 - May 31. Mollie River; Champagne Twp: Apr. 15 - May

Chapleau River; Chapleau Twp: Apr. 1 - June 1

**Nelson Lake;** Bowell Twp.: Jan. 1-Apr. 27 (Fri. preceding last Sat.)

White Pine Lake; McLeod Twp.: Closed all

year

Groundhog River; Keith Twp.: Apr. 1 – June 1 Ramsay Lake; City of Sudbury: Jan. 1 – Feb. 29 (last day).

Ruthroy Lake; Carlyle Twp.: Closed all year.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF THUNDER BAY

Augusta Lake, Katzenbach Lake, Mishi Lake, Mishibishu Lake, Killala Lake; Closed all year.

Kawashkagama River; Division 20: Apr. 15-

May 31.

Squeers Lake; Division 21: Closed all year. Grouse Lake; Division 21: Sept. 16 – May 31. Hood Lake; Division 21: Sept. 16 – May 31. Partridge Lake; Colter and Legault Twps.: Sept. 16 – May 31.

Northmawn Lake; Division 21: Sept. 16 - May

Watershed Lake; Division 21: Sept. 16 - May 31

Elevation Lake; Division 21: Sept. 16 - May 31. Myrt Lake; Division 21: Sept. 16 - May 31.

Gessie Lake, Ice Lake, Henderson Lake, Argon Lake, Savanne Lake; Goodfellow Twp. and Grand Trunk Pacific Block 2: Closed all vear.

Cosgrave Lake; Division 20: Sept. 1 – June 30. McIntyre River; from the footbridge to the dam on the University property in the City of Thunder Bay: Apr. 1 – May 31.

Shebandowan Lake (Sawmill Creek and

Sawmill Bay); Apr. 1-June 1.

Greenwater Creek; Division 22: Apr. 1 – June 1 Swamp River; Conacher and Hagey Twps: Apr. 1 – June 1.

Kashabowie River; from the dam to Kashabowie Lake: Apr. 1 – June 1.

Upper Roslyn Lake; Division 20: Closed all year.

# TERRITORIAL DISTRICT OF TIMISKAMING

Whirligig Lake; Corley & Gamble Twps: Closed all year.

Kapakita Creek; Maisonville Twp: Apr. 15-June 15.

Alexander Lake; McEvay Twp: Closed all year.

Firth Creek (Spawning Creek); Milner Twp: Apr. 15 – June 15.

Crooked Creek, Blanche River; Marquis, Blain and Eby Twps: Apr.15 - June 15.

Kamiskotia River, Opishing Lake; Apr. 15 – May 31.

Pallet Lake; Nordica Twp: Closed all year.
Montreal River (Fountain Falls), Montreal
River (Latchford); Gillies Limit Twp: Apr. 15May 18 (Fri. preceding 3rd. Sat.)

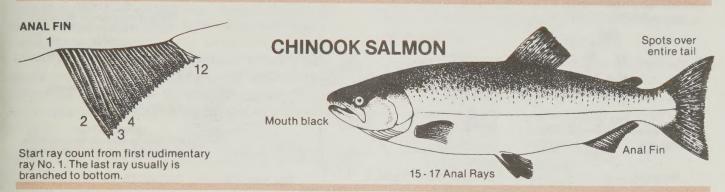
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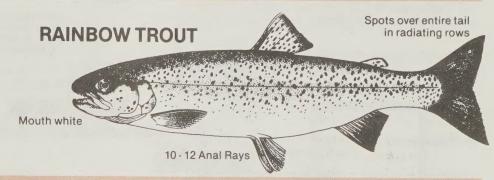
# PROVINCIAL FISHING AREA

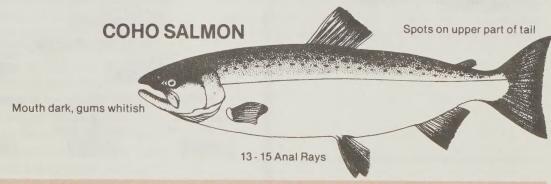
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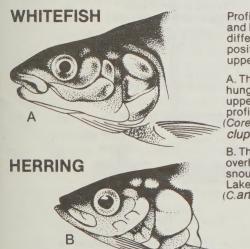
Hill Lake—Fishing Area, 19 km west of Englehart on highway 560—stocked with brook trout—5 acre pond-shore and ice fishing.

# **Identifying Fish That Are Similar In Appearance**





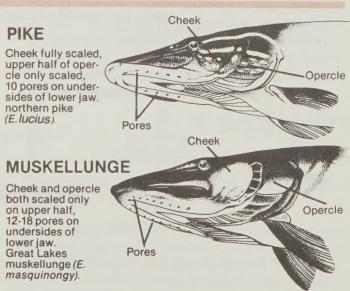




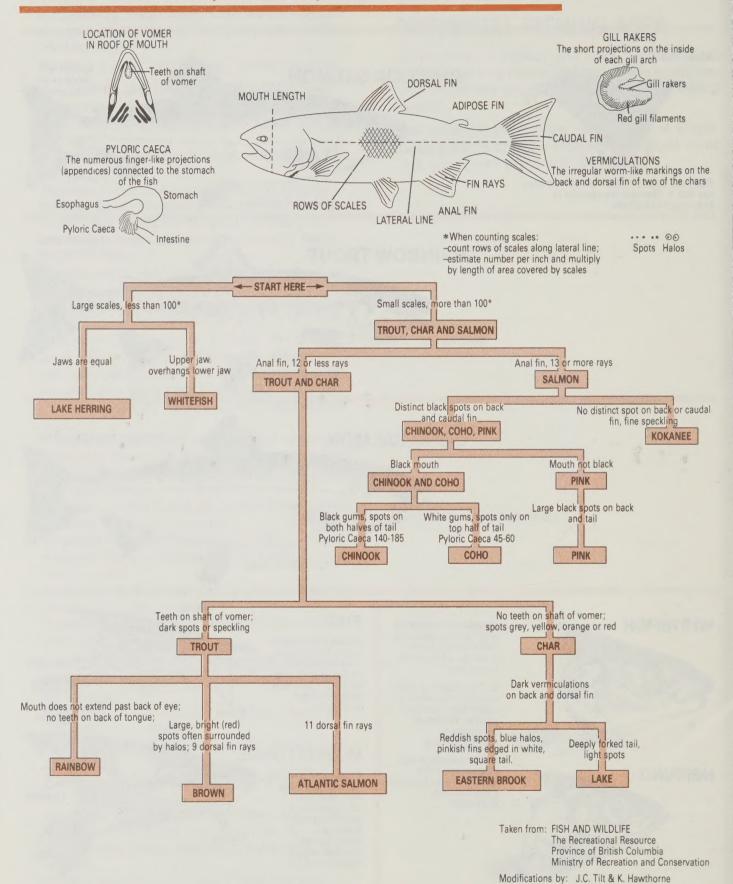
Profiles of whitefish and herring showing differences due to position of snout or upper jaw.

A. The mouth is overhung by the snout or upper jaw; rounded profile. Whitefish (Coregonus clupeaformis).

B. The mouth is not overhung by the snout; pointed profile. Lake herring, (C.artedii).



# **KEY to the Trout, Salmon, Char and Whitefish**



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# FUTURE FISH MANAGEMENT IN ONTARIO

Ontario has more lakes and streams than any comparable jurisdiction in the world — more than 250,000 lakes, unknown miles of rivers and streams and 88,026 square kilometres of Great Lakes. More than 140 species of fish inhabit these waters.

Fishing in Ontario is enjoyed annually by about three million residents and 700,000 non-residents. It provides millions of dollars to local economies and creates tens of thousands of jobs.

Fish populations in Ontario, like those in other parts of the world, have suffered from the degradation of streams and lakes and high

fishing pressure.

Protecting the basic productivity of the fish community will be the first priority in future management plans which will be based on the program, Strategic Plan for Ontario Fisheries. This includes protecting and rehabilitating fish habitats.

Fish habitats include not only the water in rivers, lakes, streams but also the total surroundings in which plants and other life forms interact to make life possible for fish.

Most people do not automatically recognize the value of fish habitats. It is easy to enlist public support to protect a majestic river valley or a favorite swimming beach. And yet fish habitats are vital assets to Canadians. They are as essential to our commercial and recreational fisheries as topsoil is to farming.

A fish habitat can be wiped out without most of us realizing harm has been done. The eggs of salmon and trout cannot survive just anywhere — they must be laid in streams where there is a bed of gravel. If someone hauls away the gravel the stream will flow as before on the surface, but it will no longer be a stream where fish can spawn. Land filling and paving over marshes can cut off the flow of nutrients and food which fish need for growth. A multimillion dollar hydro project can take its toll, but so can a poorly-installed culvert on a farm lane crossing a salmon or trout stream if it blocks fish migration.

Among the most common threats posed to fish habitats are those associated with:

- removal of sand or gravel from beaches, riverbanks or stream beds
- -diverting streams
- dredging or filling of drainage works or marsh land
- -dams
- land clearing and some types of road construction
- -construction of power installations
- -dyking and stream channelization

- building of causeways, wharves, marinas and reservoirs
- logging and log storage
- pipeline construction

The local Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources' district office must be contacted before commencing any work on stream or lake shores.

During the next few years the emphasis will be:

- to rehabilitate lakes and streams to increase the available habitat and restore and recreate spawning beds in order to reestablish and enhance natural reproduction in the fish populations;
- to supplement natural reproduction and establish new fishing opportunities by doubling the fish stocking capabilities of the province;
- to institute a province-wide management data information network linked by a computerized data delivery system that will allow fish managers to respond quickly to problems;
- 4) to develop a new information program that will improve liaison with the public.

For future generations the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources will preserve the fisheries of Northern Ontario and restore, where possible, the fisheries which have been degraded in the south.

Current publications of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, and price lists, are obtainable through the Ministry of Natural Resources Public Service Centre, Room 1640, Whitney Block, 99 Wellesley St. West, Toronto, Ontario M7A 1W3 (personal shopping and mail orders).

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